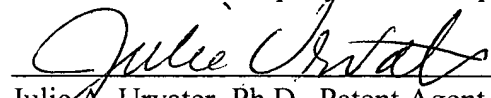


REMARKS

As noted above, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1, 3, 4, 8, and 15. Claims 1 and 8 have been amended solely to remove recitation of non-elected subject matter. In view of the above election, Applicants hereby cancel non-elected claims 2, 5-7, 9-14, and 16-21 without prejudice to the filing of any divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

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